SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Identifier: (2N) 99% Magnesium Borohydride

Product Code: MG-BH-02

CAS Number: 16903-37-0

Relevant identified uses of the substance: Scientific research and development

Supplier details:

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Substances and mixtures, which in contact with water, emit flammable gases (Category 2), H261
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3), H301
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3), H331
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 3), H311
Skin corrosion (Category 1B), H314
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal word: Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H261
In contact with water releases flammable gases.
H301 + H311 + H331
Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. 
Precautionary statement(s) 
P223 
Do not allow contact with water. 
P231 + P232 
Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture. 
P260 
Do not breathe dust or mist. 
P264 
Wash skin thoroughly after handling. 
P270 
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. 
P271 
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. 
P280 
Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection. 
P301 + P310 + P330 
IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Rinse mouth. 
P301 + P330 + P331 
IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. 
P303+ P361 + P353 
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. 
P304 + P340 + P310 
IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. 
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310 
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. 
P335 + P334 
Brush off loose particles from skin. Immerse in cool water/ wrap in wet bandages. 
P362 
Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. 
P370 + P378 
In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish. 
P402 + P404 
Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container. 
P403 + P233 
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. 
P405 
Store locked up. 
P501 
Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant. 
Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none 

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS 

Substances 
Synonyms: 
magnesium tetrahydroborate 
a-magnesium borohydride 
Formula: MgB2H8
SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures
General advice
Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
Move out of dangerous area.
If inhaled
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.
In case of skin contact
Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.
In case of eye contact
Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.
Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.
If swallowed
Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed
The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
No data available

SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media
Suitable extinguishing media
Dry powder
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Borane/boron oxides, Magnesium oxide
Advice for firefighters
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.
Further information
No data available

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation.
Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.
For personal protection see section 8.
Environmental precautions
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Sweep up and shovel. Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner
or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).
Do not flush with water.
Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
Reference to other sections
For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.
Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.
For precautions see section 2.2.
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.
Never allow product to get in contact with water during storage.
Air and moisture sensitive.
Hygroscopic.
Handle and store under inert gas.
Keep in a dry place.
Storage class (TRGS 510):
Hazardous materials, which set free flammable gases upon contact with water
Specific end use(s)
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters
Components with workplace control parameters
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.
Hazardous components without workplace control parameters
Exposure controls
Appropriate engineering controls
Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.
Personal protective equipment
Eye/face protection
Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).
Skin protection
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices.
Wash and dry hands.
Body Protection
Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant protective clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
Respiratory protection
Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Control of environmental exposure
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties
Appearance
Form: powder
Colour: white
Odour: unpleasant
Odour Threshold: No data available
pH: > 7
Melting point/freezing point: No data available
Initial boiling point and boiling range: No data available
Flash point: No data available
Evaporation rate: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas): No data available
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits: No data available
Vapour pressure: No data available
Vapour density: No data available
Relative density: No data available
Water solubility: No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature: No data available
Decomposition temperature: No data available
Viscosity: No data available
Explosive properties: No data available
Oxidizing properties: No data available
Other safety information: No data available

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity: No data available
Chemical stability: Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions: Reacts violently with water.
Conditions to avoid: Exposure to moisture
Incompatible materials: Ketones, Aldehydes
Hazardous decomposition products
Other decomposition products - No data available
In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects
Acute toxicity: No data available
Inhalation: No data available
Dermal:
No data available
No data available
Skin corrosion/irritation:
No data available
Serious eye damage/eye irritation:
No data available
Respiratory or skin sensitisation
No data available
Germ cell mutagenicity
No data available
Carcinogenicity
IARC:
No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
NTP:
No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
OSHA:
No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.
Reproductive toxicity
No data available
No data available
Specific target organ toxicity -single exposure
No data available
Specific target organ toxicity -repeated exposure
No data available
Aspiration hazard
No data available
Additional Information
RTECS:
Not available
burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
No data available
Persistence and degradability
No data available
Bioaccumulative potential
No data available
Mobility in soil
No data available
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted
Other adverse effects
No data available

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods
Product
Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in
igniting as this material is highly flammable.
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.
Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.
Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped
with an afterburner and scrubber.
Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
UN number: 3131
Class: 4.3(8)
Packing group: II
Proper shipping name:
Water-reactive solid, corrosive, n.o.s. (Magnesium borohydride)
Reportable Quantity (RQ):
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No
IMDG
UN number: 3131
Class: 4.3(8)
Packing group: II
EMS-No: F-G, S-L
Proper shipping name:
WATER-REACTIVE SOLID, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (Magnesium borohydride)
IATA
UN number: 3131
Class: 4.3(8)
Packing group: II
Proper shipping name:
Water-reactive solid, corrosive, n.o.s. (Magnesium borohydride)

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

SARA 302
Components
No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.
SARA 313
Components
This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the
threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.
SARA 311/312
Hazards
Reactivity Hazard, Acute Health Hazard
Massachusetts Right To Know
Components
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.
Pennsylvania Right To Know
Components
Magnesium borohydride
CAS-No. 16903-37-0
Revision Date
New Jersey Right To Know
Components
Magnesium borohydride
CAS-No. 16903-37-0
Revision Date
California Prop. 65
Components
This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2019 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.